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FOR CIVIL AVIATION ATTACHE

REF:

1. SURINAMESE DIRECTOR CIVIL AVIATION KENNETH DE MIRANDA MADE FOLLOWING POINTS TO EMBOFF IN CONVERSATION THIS DATE:

2. GOS RETAINS UNDIMINISHED INTEREST IN SURPLUS US HELICOPTER AIR-FRAMES DESPITE DELAY IN SIGNIFYING FINAL APPROVAL OF PURCHASE. KEY QUESTION NOW IS FINANCING. LATTER IS BEING STUDIED BY GOS/GON COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION, AND DE MIRANDA BELIEVES COMMITTEE WILL APPROVE USE OF DUTCH AID FUNDS TO FINANCE PURCHASE WHEN IT NEXT MEETS IN MARCH.

3. ALSO SUBMITTED FOR DUTCH FINANCING ARE 2 BEECH BARONS, 2 CESSNA 172S, AND LARGE PACKAGE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING AN INSTRUMENT LANDING SYSTEM FOR ZANDERIZ AIRPORT (PARAMARIBOL. PROBABLE US SUPPLIERS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT ARE WILCOX, COLLINS, AEROCOM, RF COMMUNICATIONS AND MATOROLA.

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4. DE MIRANDA AND SLM DIRECTOR BERT MAES VISITED BRAZIL EARLIER

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THIS MONTH TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF NEW SLA ROUTE INTO SOUTH AMERICA (PARAMARIBO/MANAUS/POINTS SOUTH). SLM HAS BEEN SEEKING WAYS TO USE IT S
RECENTLY ACQUIRED DC-8 MORE EFFICIENTLY (IT IS NOT EMPLOYED FULL-TIME ON THE PARAMARIBO/AMSTERDAM ROUTE), AND BELIEVES IT COULD BE OPERATED PROFITABLY INTO A NUMBER OF SOUTH AMERICAN CITIES (STILL TO BE DETERMINED). SLM ALREADY OFFERS UNSCHEDULED DC-6 FLIGHTS TO MANAUS.

5. SLM IS ALSO INTERESTED IN ROUTE TO US (MIAMI AND/OR SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO). FOR THIS ROUTE, SLM MAY WISH TO PURCHASE ONE OR MORE ADDITIONAL LONG-RANGE JET AIRCRAFT. DE MIRANDA INQUIRED ABOUT THE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED BY GOS TO INITIATE BILATERAL CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS WITH USG.

6. DE MIRANDA WILL BE GOING TO THE US IN SECOND HALF FEB TO TAKE ONE MONTH DC-8 FLIGHT TRAINING COURSE WITH UNITED AIRLINES IN DENVER.

7. COMMENT: DE MIRANDA MAY BE CONTACTED IN DENVER IF THE DEPARTMENT WISHES FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT HELICOPTER AIRFRAMES, ETC. SUGGEST USDOC MAY WISH TO CONTACT DE MIRANDA TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE TRADE OPPORTUNITIES.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM EMBASSY OF PROCEDURE TO BE FOLL-OWED IN OPENING BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS (PARA 4). ALSO, PLEASE CALRIFY STATUS OF PRESENT ALM/SLM POOL FLIGHTS (UNDER SLM DESIGNATIONS) TO MIAMI. IN VIEW OF THESE FLIGHTS, ARE BI-LATERIAL NEGOTIATIONS NECESSARY BEFORE INITIATING NEW SLM FLIGHTS?
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